

FINDINGS, CONCLUSIONS, AND RECOMMENDATION OF THE UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE AND NOTICE AND ORDER

This cause of action was referred to the United States Magistrate Judge pursuant to the provisions of 28 U.S.C. § 636(b), as implemented by an order of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas. The Findings, Conclusions, and Recommendation of the United States Magistrate Judge are as follows:

I. FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

A. NATURE OF THE CASE

This is a petition for writ of habeas corpus by a federal prisoner pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2241.

B. PARTIES

Petitioner, Darryl L. Hook, Reg. No. 03471-063, is a federal prisoner incarcerated in FCI-Fort Worth in Fort Worth, Texas.

Respondent, Rodney W. Chandler, is Warden of FCI-Fort Worth.

C. PROCEDURAL HISTORY

In 1997 petitioner pleaded guilty to one count of manufacturing methamphetamine and one count of possessing methamphetamine with intent to deliver in the United States District Court for

the Eastern District of Oklahoma, Muskogee Division, and was sentenced, following preparation of a presentence report, to concurrent 292-month terms of imprisonment. *See United States v. Hook*, Criminal Action No. 6:97-CR-00040-FHS-1, entries for 12/02/1997 & 04/02/1998. Petitioner appealed the trial court's denial of his motion to suppress, decided prior to his pleas, and sought postconviction relief *via* one or more § 2255 motions to vacate, set aside or correct his sentences in the convicting court, to no avail. *Id.*, entries for 03/08/1999, 07/13/2000, 02/16/2001 & 05/312007. This habeas petition under § 2241 was filed in this court where petitioner is currently serving his sentences.

Petitioner claims that he is actually innocent of his convictions for which he was sentenced in light of the Supreme Court decision in *Alleyne v. United States*, — U.S. —, 133 S. Ct. 2151 (2013). In *Apprendi v. New Jersey*, 530 U.S. 466 (2000), the Supreme Court stated, "[A]ny fact that increases the penalty for a crime beyond the prescribed statutory maximum must be submitted to a jury, and proved beyond a reasonable doubt." *Id.* at 490. The Supreme Court in *Alleyne v. United States*, 133 S. Ct. 2151, 2160 (2013), concluded that "the principle applied in *Apprendi* applies with equal force to facts increasing the mandatory minimum." Thus, any fact that increases a defendant's mandatory minimum sentence, in this case drug quantity, is an element of the crime, not merely a sentencing factor, that must be submitted to the jury and found beyond a reasonable doubt. *Id.* at 2163.

The government has filed a response to the petition seeking dismissal on jurisdictional grounds, to which petitioner filed a reply. (Resp't Resp. at 2-4)

D. DISCUSSION

Typically, § 2241 is used to challenge the manner in which a sentence is executed. *Warren* v. *Miles*, 230 F.3d 688, 694 (5th Cir. 2000). Section 2255, on the other hand, is the primary means

under which a federal prisoner may collaterally attack the legality of his conviction or sentence. *Cox v. Warden, Fed. Det. Ctr.*, 911 F.2d 1111, 1113 (5th Cir. 1990). Section 2241 may be used by a federal prisoner to challenge the legality of his conviction or sentence only if he can satisfy the mandates of the so-called § 2255 "savings clause." 28 U.S.C. § 2255(e); *Reyes-Requena v. United States*, 243 F.3d 893, 901 (5th Cir. 2001). To do so, the petitioner must establish that the remedy under § 2255 is inadequate or ineffective to test the legality of his detention. 28 U.S.C. § 2255(e); *Tolliver v. Dobre*, 211 F.3d 876, 877 (5th Cir. 2000). The burden of demonstrating the inadequacy of the § 2255 remedy rests with the petitioner. *Jeffers v. Chandler*, 253 F.3d 827, 830 (5th Cir. 2001). In order to meet this burden, a petitioner must show that (1) his claim is based on a retroactively applicable Supreme Court decision, (2) that was foreclosed by circuit law at the time when the claim should have been raised at trial, on appeal, or in a first § 2255 motion, and (3) that retroactively applicable decision establishes that the petitioner may have been convicted of a nonexistent offense. *Garland v.* Roy, 615 F.3d 391, 394 (5th Cir. 2010); *Reyes-Requena*, 243 F.3d at 904.

Assuming, without deciding, *Alleyne* is applicable to petitioner's case, he cannot satisfy the first and third prongs of the test. The Supreme Court did not declare that *Alleyne* applies retroactively on collateral review, and, given that *Alleyne* is an extension of *Apprendi*, which is not retroactive on collateral review, it is doubtful that *Alleyne* will be. *In re Kemper*, — F.3d —, 2013 WL 5969009, at *1 (5th Cir. Sept. 6, 2013); *Wesson v. U.S. Penitentiary*, 305 F.3d 343, 347 (5th Cir. 2002). Nor does *Alleyne* establish petitioner's actual innocence of the underlying, substantive crimes for which he was convicted. *Kinder v. Purdy*, 222 F.3d 209, 213-14 (5th Cir. 2000).

Petitioner has not made the showing required to invoke the savings clause of § 2255 as to the claim presented in this habeas corpus proceeding, and the court is therefore without jurisdiction to consider the petition. *See Padilla v. United States*, 416 F.3d 424, 427 (5th Cir. 2005); *Christopher*

v. Miles, 342 F.3d 378, 385 (5th Cir. 2003).

II. RECOMMENDATION

Based on the foregoing, it is recommended that the petition for writ of habeas corpus under § 2241 be dismissed for lack of jurisdiction.

III. NOTICE OF RIGHT TO OBJECT TO PROPOSED FINDINGS, CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATION AND CONSEQUENCES OF FAILURE TO OBJECT

IV. ORDER

Under 28 U.S.C. § 636, it is ordered that each party is granted until December **24**, 2013, to serve and file written objections to the United States Magistrate Judge's proposed findings, conclusions, and recommendation. It is further ordered that if objections are filed and the opposing

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party chooses to file a response, a response shall be filed within seven (7) days of the filing date of the objections.

It is further ordered that the above-styled and numbered action, previously referred to the United States Magistrate Judge for findings, conclusions, and recommendation, be and hereby is returned to the docket of the United States District Judge.

SIGNED December _________, 2013.

JEFFREX/L. CURETON

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE